

### AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 6, 11, 13, and 16 to 33 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter, amend claims 1 to 5, 7 to 10, 12, 14, and 15, and add new claims 34 to 40. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

#### Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:  
~~determining a media asset, the media asset including content and content metadata, the content metadata having been associated with a term within the content;~~  
~~generating discrete media assets from received information, each media asset including content, the content including a plurality of discussion objects;~~  
~~generating content metadata for each media asset at an article reader based upon the content;~~  
~~automatically linking at least one of the plurality of discussion objects with establishing a discussion forum associated with the at least one of the plurality of discussion objects associated with the term, based on the term and the content metadata;~~  
~~comparing the content metadata to a filtering database at a content-based router;~~  
~~filtering media assets at the content-based router based upon comparing the content metadata to the filtering database;~~  
~~comparing the filtered media assets to a user preference database storing media asset preference information for a user, at a personalized article processor;~~  
~~individually prioritizing the filtered media assets for the user into prioritized media assets at the personalized article processor based upon comparing the content metadata of the filtered media assets to the user preference database;~~  
~~linking the term and the discussion forum; and~~  
~~delivering the outputting at least one individually prioritized media asset asset, including the term linked to the discussion forum, to a first the user; and~~  
~~registering the user with the discussion forum linked to at least one of the plurality of~~

discussion objects included in the at least one individually prioritized media asset.

2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising: wherein delivering the media asset to the first user comprises:

distinguishing the term discussion object within a first user display associated with the first user; and

accepting receiving a first selection of the term discussion object by the first from the user; and

outputting a page associated with the discussion forum based upon receiving the first selection.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein registering the user claim-2 further comprises comprising providing a discussion forum membership option to the user first user, based on the first selection.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, claim-2 further comprising: comprising delivering the media asset to a second user, wherein delivering the media asset to the second user comprises:

distinguishing the term a second discussion object within a second user display associated with a second the second user; and

accepting receiving a second selection of the term second discussion object from by the second user.

5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 4, further comprising wherein determining the media asset comprises determining outputting at least a first media asset and a second individually prioritized media asset to the second user, each containing the term.

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~claim-6~~ claim 2 further comprising:

~~registering the first user as a member of the discussion forum;~~  
~~accepting receiving~~ posting information from ~~the user~~ users; and  
publishing the posting information on the discussion forum.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 7 further comprising establishing a user page that is uniquely associated with the first user, ~~wherein establishing the user page comprises~~ including the posting information being included within the user page.

9. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8 wherein the posting information includes ~~includes only~~ postings published by the first user on the discussion forum.

10. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 8, further comprising ~~wherein including the~~ ~~posting information comprises~~ rendering the posting information with an ordering that is determined based on preference information about content of the posting information that is associated with the first user.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) The method of ~~claim 8~~ claim 4, further comprising:  
receiving posting information from the second user; wherein the posting information  
~~includes a posting published by the second user, and further wherein~~  
publishing the posting information from the second user in the discussion forum;  
displaying the posting from the second user is located on the user page based on user-  
specific preference information that a plurality of users registered with the discussion forum have entered with respect to the second user.

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 ~~wherein:~~  
wherein the content metadata includes preference indication information, and

~~wherein establishing the discussion forum associated with the term comprises registering the first user is registered as a member of with the discussion forum based on preference information received from the first user with respect to the preference indication information.~~

15. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein  
~~wherein the content metadata includes membership indication information, and wherein establishing the discussion forum associated with the term comprises~~  
~~wherein registering the first user as a member of is registered with the discussion forum based on preference information received from the first user with respect to the membership indication information.~~

16. to 33. (Cancelled)

34. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein registering the user with the discussion forum is based on a user interaction with the content metadata.

35. (New) The method of claim 1, further comprising receiving a preference indication from the user related to the discussion object.

36. (New) The method of claim 35 wherein the user is registered with the discussion forum based on the received preference indication from the user.

37. (New) The method of claim 35 wherein the user enters the preference indication through a pop-up window displayed when the user selects the discussion object.

38. (New) The method of claim 7, further comprising:  
receiving opinions related to the published posting information; and  
displaying the published posting information to additional users registered with the discussion forum based on the received opinions.

39. (New) A computer program product tangibly embodied in a machine-readable storage medium, wherein the computer program comprises instructions that, when read by a machine, operate to cause a data processing apparatus to:

- generate discrete media assets from received information, each media asset including content, the content including a plurality of discussion objects;

- generate content metadata for each media asset at an article reader based upon the content;

- automatically link at least one of the plurality of discussion objects with a discussion forum associated with the at least one of the plurality of discussion objects;

- compare the content metadata to a filtering database at a content-based router;

- filter media assets at the content-based router based upon comparing the content metadata to the filtering database;

- compare the filtered media assets to a user preference database storing media asset preference information for users, at a personalized article processor;

- prioritize, individually, the filtered media assets for the users into prioritized media assets at the personalized article processor based upon comparing the content metadata of the filtered media assets to the user preference database;

- output at least one individually prioritized media asset to a user; and

- register the user with a discussion forum linked to a discussion object included in the at least one individually prioritized media asset.

40. (New) A device comprising:

- a content generator configured to:

- generate discrete media assets from received information, each media asset including content, the content including a plurality of discussion objects, and

- generate content metadata for each media asset at an article reader based upon the content;

- an information module configured to:

- automatically link at least one of the plurality of discussion objects with a discussion forum associated with the at least one of the plurality of discussion objects, and

outputting at least one individually prioritized media asset to a user;

a content-based router configured to:

compare the content metadata to a filtering database at a content-based router, and

filter media assets at the content-based router based upon comparing the content metadata to the filtering database;

a personalized article processor configured to:

compare the filtered media assets to a user preference database storing media asset preference information for users, at a personalized article processor, and

individually prioritize the filtered media assets for the users into prioritized media assets at the personalized article processor based upon comparing the content metadata of the filtered media assets to the user preference database;

a discussion forum engine configured to register the user with a discussion forum linked to a discussion object included in the at least one individually prioritized media asset.